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NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: 2024
JUNE 12, 2024

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!

We are now meeting at the Marion County Ambulance District Administrative Offices at 142 Jaycee Drive. To get to the facility, go South on McMasters Ave (RT61) to the intersection of Clinic Rd (immediate right past Wendy's). Turn Right onto Clinic Rd and the first right is Communication Drive. Turn onto Communication Drive and continue straight on Communication which then turns into Jaycee Dr. The Admin center is on the right at the top of the hill.

MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST – 2024

JUNE 3 ALLAN K9AJC
JUNE 10 JODY KEØOAA
JUNE 17 AL N9MAF
JUNE 24 JOE W6JFL

**Information about our Monday night nets can be found on the club website,
www.w0kem.com and click on FM Repeaters.**

SCHEDULED FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2024

DATES FOR 2024:

**July 10, 2024
October 9, 2024**

Registration is requested at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Dave Scranton, W9WE, 210-325-7923, or w9we.lee@gmail.com. If enough VE's are present at the meeting night, any walk ins will be able to test that evening.

The 2024 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

Exams will take place at 8:00 PM after the regularly scheduled HARC meeting.

WALK INS ARE WELCOME.

HARC CLUB DUES:

HARC annual dues are due each January. The dues are very important and are needed to keep repeaters up and running, plus other expenses of the club. The yearly dues fee is \$20.00 per member, & \$5.00 for each additional family member. You can pay at club meetings, or send the money to HARC, P.O. Box 1522 Hannibal Mo, 63401. Thanks!!

IN MEMORIAM



Cliff Ahrens KØCA
He will be missed by all



Hannibal Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting Minutes

Opening

Club president Joe W6JFL called the May 2024 Hannibal Amateur Radio Club meeting to order at 7:00 PM. There were 15 members present.

Proposals for membership:

3 applications for membership were submitted.

- Wesley from Pittsville, IL area, 1st year membership free
 - Allen, K9AJC motion to accept, Shawn KD9VUW 2nd, motion carried
- Simon, KE0LRS
 - Works within IT/computers
 - Kenny, KE0KCQ, motion to accept, K9AJC 2nd, motion carried
- Michael, KF0PXH, from La Grange, MO, 1st year membership free
 - Has worked in Electrical Engineering and machine programmer
 - Al, N9MAF, motion to accept, Dave, KB0RZN 2nd, motion carried
- Ed Cozart, W9US, from Quincy
 - Joe, W6JFL, motion to accept, Al, N9MAF 2nd, motion carried

Changes/Corrections to Previous Month's Minutes:

Changes to previous minutes: NONE

Don, KD0HHN, motion to accept, Dave, KB0RZN 2nd, motion carried

Treasurer's Report:

Kenny, KE0KCQ, presented the monthly financial report. As of May 8, 2024, the beginning balance was \$3,005.81, Expenses were \$385.91, and Deposits were \$1,715.00. The CD balance remained unchanged at \$1,354.79, and petty cash was also unchanged at \$40, bringing the total to \$5,729.69 for the month beginning May 2024. Dave, KB0RZN, made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, which Ron, AA9GL, seconded.

Repeaters:

N9MAF reports are all working as they should. Has made it to the 146.625 site. All ok.

Kenny, KE0KCQ, motion to accept, Allen, K9AJC 2nd, motion carried.

Old/Unfinished Business:

Hamfest overall was a success. Vendors and guests enjoyed our inaugural season, and we plan to do it again next year. In all, our budget only went over by \$32 of a \$1,700 budget and made a profit of \$112. Per our agreement with the Quincy, IL club, 50% of the profit/expense was shared with them.

The Palmyra Truck Show was held again this year on May 7, 2024. Kenny, KE0KCQ, and Shawn, KD9VUW, attended. Kenny reported that conditions this year were much better than the previous year weather-wise. He also reported that there are two interested parties for the Tech class this coming fall.

Field Day will be held this year from June 22-23, 2024. Last year, we only had four participants, so we need to work on setting some time aside for a fun weekend making contacts this year. Suggestions for where to hold this year's field day activities were up for discussion. Base 1 of the Marion County Ambulance District was suggested, as it has been hosted in previous years. Our meeting location, MCAD (Marion County Ambulance District) training facility, was also suggested. While Ed, W9US, was present with the club, the suggestion was made that Hannibal and Quincy's clubs join forces again. Nothing has been motioned or voted on at this time and will be decided in our June meeting.

Other activities listed on the website that haven't taken place in some time were also discussed. It was suggested that some other activities be organized to facilitate getting involved more with the community and getting the hobby noticed more.

New Business:

Al, N9MAF, was presented with an ARRL ARES Certificate.

Dan, KD0HHN, also reviewed some changes that ARRL Emergency Communications and ARES courses will make. Currently, there is one course available, with two more courses, an Intermediate and Advanced, on the way. ARRL only offered one course and had decided to split them back out again to cover more material and training. In order to take these courses, you must have completed FEMA courses ICS-100, 200, 700, and 800, and they must be under the current version. If it has been some time since you had last taken those courses, you may want to re-certify with them before looking into the ARRL EmCom course. Also, new task books will be required to be signed off on before being allowed to continue with courses.

Joe, W6JFL, proposed forming a committee to check on EOC (Emergency Operations Center) equipment and run a weekly ARES Net from an EOC location to ensure it is in proper working order.

Also available are some Hamfest tickets for Chillicothe, IL. The method of allocating the tickets was tabled for next months meeting.

Announcements:

Breakfast at Silver Anchor - 8:00am May 11th

In case location is closed, or won't work, listen on 625 repeater for updated location.

50/50:

Ron, AA9GL, wins the 50/50. Congrats Ron!!!

Adjournment:

Don, KD0HHN, made a motion to adjourn at 7:57 pm. Joe, W6JFL, seconded.

Carried by members

**FYI: Hamfest pictures are available on the club website,
www.w0kem.com click on "Hamfest 2024"**

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

BY JOE LAULETTA, W6JFL



Greetings, Members!

A sad opening to this month's column. For those of you not "in the loop," I humbly report that Cliff, K0CA, has become a silent key. Cliff was a legend in this club, as well as in life. He probably forgot more about amateur radio than I will ever know. In my mediocre socioeconomic standing, one of the highest praises that can be bestowed is "He was a good dude." Well, let me tell you, Cliff was a good dude!

Next thing to think about is Field Day! Current whisperings for a venue are Marion County Ambulance District's offering of allowing us to utilize their "Base 1" which is located at 3120 N Hwy 61 in Hannibal. We have at least HF and I believe VHF capabilities with an awesome antennae array with rotator. There are members way more familiar with the equipment there. I venture to guess that Don KD0HHN, Al N9MAF, Jody KE0OAA, and Murph, N0EMG would have waaay more info than me. Feel free to reach out to them, or better yet, COME TO THE NEXT MEETING where we will be discussing the 'logistics' of the upcoming ARRL Field Day event.

On a final note, I would like to wish Dakota KF0PXG (AKA "MiniMurph") a joyful, fun-filled vacation adventure at MCRD San Diego! Beautiful weather, fantastic beaches, wonderful nightlife, and you won't get to see any of it!!! I have no doubt you will earn your Eagle, Globe, and Anchor, but it will not be easy or fun. At least not while you're doing it. But you will look back on your time fondly in the future. Trust me. You will also join a brotherhood of veterans you will forever be your Brothers and Sisters. Don't give in, Don't give up! Semper Fi, Devil Dog.

73,
-Joe-
W6JFL



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ARLD019 DX news

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To all radio amateurs

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ARLD019 DX news

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by The Daily DX, 425 DX News, DXNL, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

RWANDA, 9X. Harald, DF2WO is QRV as 9X2AW from Kigali until May 17. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, FT8, and FT4. QSL via MOOXO.

BOTSWANA, A2. Remo, HB9SHD is QRV as A255HD until May 13. Activity is holiday style on 40, 20, 15, and 10 meters using SSB and possibly FT8. QSL to home call.

BAHRAIN, A9. Special event station A91WTIS will be QRV from May 11 to 17 to celebrate World Telecommunication and Information Society Day. QSL via EC6DX.

MOZAMBIQUE, C9. Bill, C91CCY has been active using SSB on 80 meters around 0400z, and 40 meters around 0430z. QSL via K3IRV.

MOROCCO, CN. Special call sign CN21HM is QRV until May 12 in celebration of the 21st birthday of Prince Moulay Hassan, the heir apparent to the Moroccan throne. QSL direct to CN8RAH.

BOLIVIA, CP. Members of the Yaguarete DX Group will be QRV as CP7DX from Tarija on May 11 to 19. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, FT8 in DXpedition mode, as well as SSB and FM on various LEO satellites. QSL direct to LU1FM.

NORTHERN IRELAND, GI. Members of the North West Group ARC are QRV with special event station GB0AEL until May 31 to commemorate the anniversary of Amelia Earhart's transatlantic flight in May 1932. QSL via MI0HOZ.

SAUDI ARABIA, HZ. Members of the Saudi Radio Amateurs Society will be QRV with special event station HZ1WTIS from May 10 to 17 in celebration of World Telecommunication and Information Society Day. QSL via bureau.

ITALY, I. Members of the United Nations Global Service Centre ARC in Brindisi are QRV as 4U29MAY until May 31 to promote the International Day of UN Peacekeepers. QSL via 9A2AA.

SARDINIA, IS0. Tomi, OH2TJS is QRV as IS0/OH2TJS until May 18. Activity is on the HF bands using SSB, FT8, and FT4. QSL to home

call.

WAKE ISLAND, KH9. Tom, NL7RR is QRV as KH9/NL7RR until May 15. Activity is generally on 20 meters SSB around 0700z. QSL direct to home call.

AUSTRIA. OE. Rene, DL2JRM is QRV as OE7/DL2JRM until May 12. This includes being an entry in the CQ-M International DX contest. QSL to home call.

CZECH REPUBLIC, OK. A number of operators are QRV using the OL87 prefix until May 26 to showcase the 87th Ice Hockey World Championship. Activity is on 160 to 6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK, FT8, and FT4. QSL via operators' instructions.

SOMALIA, T5. Alex, IT9HRK is QRV as T5/IT9HRK from Mogadishu. Activity is in his spare time on 80 to 10 meters using mainly SSB, with some CW, RTTY, FT8, and FT4. He is here for several months. QSL via IU5RPJ.

LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS, VU7. Lal, VU3OQK is QRV as VU7LAL from Agatti and Kavarathi until May 31. Activity is on 40, 20, and 10 meters. QSL direct.

CAMBODIA, XU. Jarrad, VK3BL is QRV as XU7AGA from Kampot. Activity is in his spare time on 20, 17, 15, and 10 meters using mostly FT8. QSL via Club Log.

NEW ZEALAND, ZL. Members of the Gisborne Branch of the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters are QRV with special event call ZL100AC during May to commemorate the first trans-Pacific contact with Carlos Braggio, CB8, near Buenos Aires, Argentina. QSL via operators' instructions.

THIS WEEKEND ON THE RADIO. The VOLTA World Wide RTTY Contest, CQ-M International DX Contest, NCCC FT4 Sprint, Weekly RTTY Test, NCCC CW Sprint, K1USN Slow Speed CW Test, FISTS Saturday CW Sprint, SKCC Weekend CW Sprintathon, Canadian Prairies QSO Party and the 50 MHz Spring Sprint are all scheduled for this weekend.

The 4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint, K1USN Slow Speed CW Test, ICWC Medium Speed CW Test, OK1WC Memorial, RSGB 80-Meter Club SSB Championship, Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, DARC FT4 Contest, Phone Weekly Test, A1Club AWT, CWops Test, VHF-UHF FT8 Activity Contest, Mini-Test 40 CW and the Mini-Test 80 CW are on tap for May 13 to 15.

Please see May QST, page 77, and the ARRL and WA7BNM contest websites for details.

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